UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JANE DOE, et al.

Civil Action No.: 1:20 – CV – 0840 (BKS/CFH)

Plaintiffs,

vs.

HOWARD ZUCKER, et al.

Defendants.

DECLARATION OF H.D. IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

H.D. pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 declares under penalty of perjury as follows:

- 2. I am the mother of a medically fragile high school aged boy who attends school in the Auburn School District of New York.
- 3. I write this declaration in support of the Plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction and as a potential class member in this suit.
- 12. Our middle son has always had bad reactions to vaccines. After his vaccinations he would be covered in a horrible and painful full body rash for months. It would start to clear up and then would return after each set of vaccinations. He would also suffer from personality changes after vaccinations. He would scream and be extremely irritable.
- 13. We never knew what vaccines were causing the problems because he was given so many at once. One time after a vaccine appointment our son was unable to move his arm for several days. It was terrifying.

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- 14. All of these issues after his vaccine appointments caused us to research possible causes and we obtained a religious exemption based on our sincere beliefs that further vaccination would violate our religious responsibilities to our child given the harm he'd suffered.
- 15. Our son is only missing a few vaccines. We noticed a remarkable improvement in his health during the years he did not receive any boosters.
- 16. This last year we were forced to make an impossible decision after the religious exemption was repealed. We tried to get our pediatrician to write a medical exemption but he did not feel comfortable enough with the new regulations to do it. He did recommend that the remaining vaccines be spaced out.
- 17. We waited until the last possible date and then made the appointments for the three boosters our son needed to remain in school and sports.
- 18. We did the first one, meningococcal, and then made the appointments for the last two.
- 19. Despite our doctor's advice to spread them out, and the law, which provided for a catch up schedule that allowed children to be in school so long as appointments were scheduled, our son was kicked out of school several times and we were told he could not be on a catch up schedule and he needed the last two shots immediately. We hired an attorney but the school district would not budge and insisted that our son get all three shots immediately without the two weeks in between as recommended.

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20. Within a couple days, my son therefore also received	his T	dap (which	was	the s	sixth
OTaP booster) and varicella.						

- 21. The next morning he woke up and was completely unable to move his arm. He went to school but was sent home with an excruciating headache. It went downhill from there. The arm pain continued and was so bad he couldn't use his arm.
- 22. The headaches got worse and he also had extreme sensitivity to light. He also started having very bad pain in his joints especially his knees and ankles.
- 23. His brain swelling became so bad that he ended up in the ER. The doctor in the ER told us it was a vaccine reaction and he shouldn't receive any more vaccinations. We asked her to write us a medical exemption but she said she could not.
- 24. My son's condition deteriorated and he ended up at Golisano Children's hospital. The doctors at Golisano agreed it was from the vaccines but there was nothing they could do.
- 25. Our son returned to school but has been dealing with several health problems since being vaccinated in the fall including ongoing joint pain, migraines, neurological symptoms and weakness and recently being diagnosed with an eating disorder. All of these are known vaccine adverse side effects.
- 26. Next year, our son will need another meningococcal to continue high school. His younger brother is vulnerable too, having exhibited some of the same early symptoms our older son initially had.

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27. We are beside ourselves. How can these doctors acknowledge that our son has been harmed by vaccines and say it isn't safe for him to receive more, but then tell us that their hands are tied and it isn't up to their clinical judgment? How is this okay for children like my son?

28. Wherefore, I respectfully ask this Court to grant the relief and let our children remain in school pending the outcome of this case and to stay the regulations that allow school districts to overrule treating physicians.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this <u>May day of August 2020</u>

H.D.

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